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was it, the SEC wrote Rule 19C3, I think. I  
may not get this precisely right. The SEC  
tried to write a rule that prohibited low  
vote or non-voting stock after there was a  
big outcry over this subject, which was the  
second outcry.

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The first outcry occurred before  
the great crash, a professor came down to the  
New York Stock Exchange and proclaimed that  
it was unfair to shareholders to have  
non-voting stock and the New York Stock  
Exchange rewrote the rules to prohibit it.  
But then we have the American and Nasdaq,  
which didn't have those rules, and in the  
80s, there was a hue and cry over that, I  
mean -- and the committee was appointed by  
the SEC to study this issue, or it may have  
been appointed by the stock exchanges.

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Anyway, I served on that committee  
and we wrote a report which led to 19C3,  
which was then, I think, ruled beyond the  
powers of the SEC to enact, but anyway, I  
have some basis of experience in this.

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what came up, but it is hard to get away from  
the impression that there is a serious  
difference in value between the right to vote  
and the absence of a right to vote or the  
right to have only a limited vote.

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Q. Did you go back and study the work  
you did for the American Stock Exchange?

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A. Not at all.

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Q. And --

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A. I'm just giving you -- I wanted to  
mention that so that it is not a surprise if  
I ever mention it again. But I'm giving you  
my best recollection, which isn't very good.

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Q. In a company with an 80 percent  
shareholder, the votes are going to be -- the  
outcome of any election is going to be  
determined by that 80 percent shareholders'  
vote; is that fair?

A. Well, unless they have an unusual  
set of articles or bylaws.

Q. And, therefore, the minority  
shareholders' stock whether voting or not in  
a circumstance where one entity has a  
controlling interest is generally equivalent

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2 on those circumstances to non-voting stock,  
3 isn't it?

4                   A.           Not necessarily.

5 Q. Why not?

6           A.     Because it's a different set of  
7     rights and circumstances can change, and when  
8     they do change, the vote may develop more  
9     rather than less value.

10 I mean, precisely the situation  
11 here where if stock were issued widely to  
12 change the 80 percent to something below 50,  
13 for example, then the value of the minority  
14 share and its vote would presumably go up.

15 Q. At the expense of the majority  
16 share?

17           A.       Well, I don't know if it is at the  
18           expense of the majority.

19 Q. Well, to the extent that voting  
20 control has a value, it would shift from the  
21 controlling shareholder to all the  
22 shareholders generally; is that fair?

23 A. That's right.

24 Q. The structure of having a low vote  
25 or non-voting stock in your experience is a

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2 fairly common structure for media and  
3 entertainment companies?

**4 A. Like the New York Times?**

5 Q. Right.

6 A. It's not uncommon.

7           Q.        In exchange 2, paragraph 3 of your  
8 report, on page 3.

9 A. Okay. Page 3.

10 Q. You make a statement saying that  
11 "Mr. Fowler's argument is far too narrowly  
12 based", and we've discussed already some of  
13 the things that you think Mr. Fowler said.

14 I want to focus on some of the  
15 particular examples that are in this  
16 paragraph, and one is the participation by  
17 Marvel's top executives, its counsels, and  
18 its auditors making the note issuances  
19 possible.

20 Do you see that?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. The participation by its counsel,  
23 does that refer to the three opinion letters  
24 that are cited as materials considered in  
25 Exhibit B to your initial report?

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2           A.     That's one of the elements in  
3 participation, yes.

4 Q. Are there any other elements in  
5 participation by counsel for Marvel that  
6 you're referring to?

7           A.     Well, I think counsel for Marvel  
8     would have either participated in the road  
9     shows or prepared the executives to conduct  
10    those road shows. I mean, I think that the  
11    counsel was involved in ways that a counsel  
12    would be involved if it were issuing these  
13    notes itself. The exact scope of that, I'm  
14    not sure of.

15 Q. Are you just speculating about  
16 that?

17 A. No.

18 Q. What facts are you basing your  
19 views on?

20           A.     Because the counsel gave this  
21       opinion and the opinion required that it have  
22       a basis of knowledge to give that opinion.  
23       That kind of opinion is not rendered with  
24       blinders on.

25 Q. The opinion that was given, you

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2 described in the previous report as a  
3 10(b)(5) opinion; is that right?

4 A. I think so.

5 Q. And 10(b)(5), does that refer to  
6 Rule 10(b)(5)?

7                   A.        Of the 34 Act, yes.

8 Q. And that's a rule that prohibits  
9 companies from issuing fraudulent financial  
10 statements; is that fair?

11                   A.        Fraud of any kind in connection  
12                   with the issuance of securities.

13 Q. And this 10(b)(5) opinion that  
14 you're referring to, is that in essence an  
15 opinion stating that the financial statements  
16 of the company are not in violation of Rule  
17 10(b)(5)?

18           A.       Well, typically a 10(b) (5) opinion  
19        has a carve out for financials.

20 Q. So it's not certifying the  
21 financial statements?

**22**      **A.**      **By an accountant.**

23 Q. So it's only certified the  
24 financials in that there is no material  
25 misstatement or omission in those financial

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2 statement; is that correct?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And in those circumstances, the  
5 counsel for Marvel, he is not giving an  
6 opinion to the holding company's public  
7 filings. He is just talking about his own  
8 company?

9           A.       Yes, as we have agreed, I don't  
10           know if we've agreed, but that's the source  
11           of the value here.

12 Q. So in these circumstances, what the  
13 opinion that's being given by the counsel for  
14 Marvel is that his company hasn't committed  
15 fraud in the non-financial side of its  
16 financial statements?

19 Q. Is that fair?

20           A.     No, I don't think the word fraud  
21     appears in the typical 10(b)(5) opinion. It  
22     sticks pretty close to the statute.

23 Q. So there is no materially false  
24 statement or omission in the company's public  
25 filings?

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**A. The omission of a fact necessary to  
make the facts stated therein not misleading.**

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Q. And when a company -- I take it you  
5 were at the SEC at one time, correct?

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**A. I was.**

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Q. And you've also been a securities  
8 lawyer for many years, right?

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**A. Yes.**

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Q. And is it your understanding that  
11 investors in public companies are entitled  
12 and expected to rely on publicly filed  
13 documents from public companies as being in  
14 compliance with that Rule 10(b)(5) and 34 Act  
15 requirement?

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**A. Is it my understanding.**

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Q. It's a bad question, I'll try it  
18 again.

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If I'm an investor in any public  
20 company, I can expect that if I look up the  
21 company's public filings, that those public  
22 filings are going to be free from material  
23 misstatement or omission because the company  
24 has endeavored to make sure that they are; is  
25 that fair?

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A. That's the hope, yes. And I think  
that the SEC's job is to set up a set of  
procedures that give the typical investor  
some assurance that that's the case. That  
the information furnished to them is  
**reliable.**

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Q. So this expectation that you can  
rely on the financial statements and the  
public statements of the company as being  
free from material misstatement is not  
something that is special or unique to anyone  
who gets a 10(b) (5) opinion, but there is a  
reasonable expectation of any investor; is  
that fair?

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A. **Yes.**

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Q. You also state that the auditors  
for the company give a comfort opinion. What  
is your basis for that statement?

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A. I think that counsel told me that.

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Q. Have you seen the comfort opinion?

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A. I don't think I have.

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Q. And it is not really a comfort  
opinion, it is a comfort letter, isn't it?

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A. Well, that's quibbly.

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Q. Don't auditors quibble about the word opinion?

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A. **Everybody quibbles about the word opinion nowadays, including lawyers, so a 10(b) (5) opinion isn't called an opinion, it's called a letter. It's separated from the legal opinions. All kinds of things are done to try to make it appear to be something that it isn't. And I think the same is true of accounting. Did I call it?**

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Q. You called it a comfort opinion. I do a lot of work in this field and I have never come across a comfort opinion. I have come across comfort letters though, that seems to be a term of art.

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A. **Okay, I grant you that other people, particularly accountants, might call it a letter.**

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Q. And a comfort letter, what is it?

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A. **It's a statement by the auditors that having participated in the offering of securities that is the subject of its letter or opinion, nothing has come to its attention that would suggest to it that there are**

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**misstatements of material fact or omissions  
of fact that are necessary to make the  
statements made not misleading. It's that  
kind of thing. It's sometimes called a cold  
comfort letter.**

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Q. Is that your understanding of what  
the letter that Marvel's auditors issued in  
connection with these offerings said?

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**A. It is.**

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Q. And would it be different to you if  
instead of that, the comfort letter made  
reference to its previous conducted audits  
and identified that the company had been  
audited as of X date and that that particular  
auditing firm E&Y had issued audits as of  
that date and opined as of those particular  
dates that the financial statements were free  
of material error?

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**A. I don't understand the question.**

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Q. Okay. As I said in the beginning,  
I'm happy to rephrase.

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Would it be different if instead  
of -- the distinction that I'm asking you  
about, you said they participated in the

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offerings and nothing had come to their  
attention in the course of the offerings as  
opposed to referring back to their last dated  
audit?

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**A. Right.**

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Q. And saying we audited this company  
as of this date, and as of the date of that  
audit --

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**A. Nothing had come to our attention  
back then.**

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Q. They all say as of the date of the  
audit, here is our opinion, that they  
basically refer back to the last opinion that  
they gave and advised the underwriters that  
there is such an opinion stating that the  
company has financial statements that have  
been audited in accordance with GAAP as of  
that date?

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**A. And that's all they said?**

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Q. Yes. Would that be different to  
you?

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**A. Well, that doesn't sound like the  
kind of comfort letter that I'm familiar  
with, if those are the facts. You understand**

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my purpose in mentioning the things I have mentioned was simply to show that in many respects, the Marvel and its professionals participated in this offering to an extent that suggested that they were very involved in it. And to an extent suggesting that if they hadn't been that involved in it, the offering would have not taken place.

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Q. Let's ask about the third area which you have mentioned here, which is that Marvel's officers participated in road shows to market the notes.

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Do you see that?

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**A. Yes.**

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Q. And who, to your knowledge, was a Marvel officer who participated in a road show for the notes?

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**A. I would have to refresh my recollection on that.**

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Q. Do you know what the source of your knowledge for that statement was?

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**A. I think -- I don't know if it is in the opinion or not. I think I know I was told that by counsel, but I may have read it**

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**elsewhere as well.**

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**I think I did read it. I mean, I  
read the brief.**

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**You may have read it in a brief or  
opinion, but you didn't look at any of the  
underlying evidence on that issue; is that  
correct?**

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**A. What is the underlying evidence?**

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**I'm trying to understand the  
underlying evidence that you're relying on.**

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**I think I would have had to have  
been out there and see who was at the road  
shows. I didn't look at anything anyway.**

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**Does it matter to you the extent to  
which Marvel's officers participated in the  
road shows? How many officers or how many  
road shows?**

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**For the purposes of what I'm trying  
to say, I don't think it matters.**

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**Q. Do you know who Mr. Bevins is?**

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**A. Yes, he is one of the officers.**

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**Q. He was chief executive officer of  
Marvel, correct?**

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**A. Yes.**

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Q. I'll tell you he testified and he participated in the road shows.

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**A. Yes.**

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Q. He was also an officer of the holding companies?

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**A. That's right.**

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Q. Do you know that his salary was paid by the holding companies?

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**A. I don't know who paid his salary.**

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Q. Would it matter to your judgment that you have reached here that Mr. Bevins who participated in the road show was a dual officer and his paycheck came from the holding companies not from Marvel?

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MR. FRIEDMAN: I object to the form of the question.

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**A. Well, regardless of who's paying you, I guess he is there because he knows something about Marvel, and the noteholders of the placement agent want someone who knows about Marvel to talk about its condition, financial condition, and its prospects. I assume he didn't answer a lot of questions about the holding companies because they**

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**aren't doing anything.**

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Q. Now, if you were a director of Marvel and/or any company, any company that has a large shareholder and is going to do an offering, either a secondary offering of the shares it owns, or something like this where they are issuing notes that are pledged, and you know they are going to go out and tell the Marvel story because Marvel is, as you say, the story that people would be interested in, do you think it would be reasonable under those circumstances for Marvel management to want to be directly involved and be the ones actually out there in front of these investment banks and market makers telling the Marvel story versus having someone else do it?

A. Well, if it were benefitting them,

their company, whatever they were appearing

before was for the benefit of their company,

they certainly would want to be there. If it

is not benefitting them at all, I think a

different calculus applies.

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Q. Well, let me ask you this: If you

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had an opportunity as management of the company to go before large investment banks and other market makers who were not only looking at these notes but who also follow Marvel's stock, issue opinions about recommendations of Marvel's stock, it matters to a company like Marvel what the investment bank and other analysts following the stock think about the company, doesn't it?

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**A. Yes.**

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Q. And you might be concerned, for example, if someone else is going to go out and tell the Marvel story without you actually being present in the room while these analysts who are hearing about Marvel are -- they might get misinformation, for example. Is that a valid concern?

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**A. Well, if it -- yes, you're making a fair point, that they would -- given the type of -- of audience, if it is a bunch of security analysts who follow Marvel stock, they would have an interest in making sure the story is correct.**

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MR. FRIEDMAN: When you reach a

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2 convenient point, can we take a break  
3 for a minute?

10 (Thereupon, a recess was taken,  
11 and then the proceedings continued as  
12 follows:)

15 BY MR. LOCKWOOD:

16           A.     Before you start with this long  
17        question, can I elaborate one answer to a  
18        question you asked me?

19 Q. If you need to

20 A. I'd like to

21 You asked me about the purpose of  
22 all of the information that the SEC requires  
23 to be delivered to the investors.

24 O. Yes.

25      A.      Whether it is supposed to be

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2 correct material-wise and I said yes. And  
3 that was in the context of the 10(b) (5)  
4 opinion. I simply want to say that for a  
5 lawyer to give a 10(b) (5) opinion is a  
6 very -- is not a matter of simply writing it  
7 out without having done extensive work, and  
8 so in the case of this lawyer giving this  
9 opinion, it would represent in the minds of  
10 those receiving it, as well as in his mind as  
11 a professional, which I assume he was, an  
12 opinion based upon a large amount of  
13 involvement in the note issuance. The  
14 practice, the common practice in giving such  
15 opinions is to do today, because of 144A type  
16 transactions, to do the equivalent of the  
17 kind of due diligence you would do in a  
18 public offering. So I don't think -- I think  
19 it is simply important to understand what I  
20 believe the delivery of that opinion  
21 represented in terms of the company's  
22 engagement of this offering.

23 Q. The opinion that he gave didn't  
24 pertain to the company, the issuers or the  
25 securities. It pertained to the business of

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2       Marvel and its prior statements, public  
3       statements; is that right?

4           A.     Well, I think it pertained to the  
5     reps and warranties that were given with  
6     respect to Marvel by the holding companies.  
7     I think it would pertain to -- it should  
8     pertain to anything and everything that  
9     the -- that the noteholders were looking at  
10    in deciding whether to invest in these notes.

16 A. I have Exhibit 9

17 Q. So is this the opinion that you're  
18 referring to, 10(b)(5) opinion with respect  
19 to the Marvel III offering?

20 A. Yes, I think so. Just let me --

21 February, 18, that's one of them

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23 Q. Let me ask you first, is it your  
24 view that an opinion from Marvel's general  
25 counsel was necessary, was irreplaceable to

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2 the underwriters in connection with this  
3 transaction?

4           A.     Well, it was necessary because it  
5     was a condition to closing under the purchase  
6     agreement.

7 Q. Is it in your experience that the  
8 10(b)(5) opinion that you're referring to  
9 typically comes from the issuer, the issuer's  
10 counsel?

11                   A.                   Yes.

12 Q. And in these circumstances, if the  
13 issuer had gone to the underwriter and said  
14 you're going to be getting an opinion from  
15 the issuer's counsel instead of the operating  
16 company's counsel, do you have any basis to  
17 say that that wouldn't have been acceptable  
18 to the underwriter?

19           A.     I think the opinion -- an opinion  
20       from counsel to the holding company who  
21       issued the notes would be less desirable.  
22       How much less desirable to become  
23       unacceptable. I don't know.

24 Q. And as someone familiar with SEC  
25 regulations and how companies act initially,

10                   A.       The holding company?

11           Q.     Yes, if it issued its own financial  
12        statements that were consolidated and  
13        including the sub's financial statements,  
14        it's responsible for the whole thing; is that  
15        correct?

16           A.     Well, it is responsible for its  
17 financial statements, but this transaction  
18 involved a great deal more than just  
19 financial statements and its level of  
20 responsibility would vary a great deal  
21 depending on whether that holding company was  
22 a holding company or a private company.

23 Q. So if you have a holding company, a  
24 company that's going to be issuing securities  
25 that are subject to the Securities Act, it

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would have a responsibility to ensure that  
there is no false or misleading statements in  
its prospectus; is that correct?

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**A. In its prospectus, yes.**

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Q. And to the extent that its  
prospectus incorporates information about its  
operating subsidiary, it would still have a  
responsibility to do due diligence and have a  
basis to say that the operating company's  
financial statements are correct?

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**A. That's true.**

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Q. And that's true of any public  
holding company has got an obligation to do  
that when it issues securities, correct?

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**A. Yes.**

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Q. So in your experience, is it  
typical for public holding companies to have  
access to the staff of its public operating  
companies so that it can comply with the  
securities laws in issuing its own  
securities?

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MR. FRIEDMAN: Is your question  
limited to public operating companies?

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Q. It's public operating companies and

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2 public holding companies is the question.  
3 Public on both levels.

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. You say in your opinion on page 3,  
6 second sentence of the second paragraph,  
7 under number 3, that "the truth of the matter  
8 is, however, that the note issuances could  
9 not have been affected without them", and I  
10 believe based on the context that the them is  
11 the other actions that Marvel staff and  
12 advisors took in connection with this  
13 transaction.

16           A.     Well, it's an opinion. It's my  
17     opinion. It's based upon what actually did  
18     happen and what I think a placement agent and  
19     noteholders would likely demand in a  
20     situation such as this. I mean, this is an  
21     unusual situation in that the holding company  
22     is a shell. But it's being asked to issue  
23     notes for a large amount of money. So it is  
24     an unusual transaction. The questions you  
25     put to me about a public holding company

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**were, I think --**

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**Q. More general?**

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**A. Yes. So that's the basis for --**

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**this is my experience and an analysis of the**

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**transaction, but it's only an opinion.**

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Q. Is there a -- is there any effort  
that you made to look at comparable  
transactions or comparable companies,  
comparable issuances before you reached this  
opinion?

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**A. No.**

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Q. Did you look up any economic or  
industry or market literature research before  
you reached this opinion?

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**A. No.**

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I think it is an opinion based on  
my experience, familiarity with 10(b) (5)  
opinions, and what would be expected by, as I  
said, by the placement agents or the  
noteholders, the investors. And that's  
informed by many years of advising investors  
in private placements as well as public  
offerings. But it is just an opinion.

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Q. If you look at page 4 of your

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2 report.

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. I asked you some questions that  
5 caused this to come up earlier, but I don't  
6 think I have explored it fully.

7                   Is that your final conclusion is  
8                   that you take into consideration all of these  
9                   issues that you discussed and believe that  
10                  the consideration that Marvel would have  
11                  required would likely have been in the order  
12                  of magnitude of 150 million dollars.

13 Can you explain to me the  
14 methodology that you used to reach that 150  
15 million dollar figure?

16           A.     Well, it wasn't rocket science or  
17     science of any kind. It's just a ballpark  
18     judgment. I mean, ballpark being another way  
19     of saying order of magnitude. And it is a  
20     large number. This was a large transaction  
21     in the sense of 553 million dollars being  
22     extracted from the company indirectly and  
23     going to one stockholder rather than all the  
24     stockholders. So at a cost of potential harm  
25     to the -- so you look at that, and you look

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at the market cap of the company, Marvel at  
that time, and say something in this order of  
magnitude would be enough. If, and I keep  
coming back to the if, because it is very  
important in my mind. If I were prepared to  
do this at all.

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Q. The first offering, I don't have  
the offering memoranda in front of me. Maybe  
Mr. Friedman can correct me if I'm wrong, but  
I think the numbers of the first offering are  
in the range of 380, 390 million dollars?

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MR. FRIEDMAN: The proceeds of  
the first offerings I think were in  
the range of 288.

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MR. LOCKWOOD: You're right.

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Okay.

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Q. So 288 million dollars, off by 100  
million. Did you do an analysis of -- let's  
say that was the only offering, can you tell  
me under your methodology what the bargaining  
threshold would have been for that -- because  
I take it the bargaining would have happened  
serially, there would have been first  
offering bargaining, second offering

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2 bargaining, third offering bargaining, so at  
3 the second session?

4           A.     Do we know, you asked the question,  
5     wouldn't you, how many times are you going to  
6     do this? I mean, how much money are you  
7     going to extract?

8           Q.     Let's see if we can break it down.  
9     The first offering happens in 1993, it's 288  
10   million dollars of the proceeds of the  
11   offering, and you're on the board, and I'm  
12   just trying to understand based on you have  
13   150 million dollars listed here.  Can you  
14   describe for me under the methodology you  
15   employed how much money you would have sought  
16   in that first offering?

17           A.     Well, what I'm trying to ask you is  
18     do I know that the ultimate issuance will be  
19     553 or is it something less?

20 Q. No, at the first offering, all you  
21 know is it is 288. You don't have a crystal  
22 ball, you don't know what's going to happen  
23 in the future. There is one offering and the  
24 facts is as they were at the time in 1993.

25 MR. FRIEDMAN: I want to object.

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to the line of questioning because the  
3 Fowler report, unless I'm mistaken,  
4 does not break down the negotiations  
5 offering by offering. And I don't  
6 think there is any basis for the  
7 questions along those lines. But if  
8 you want to correct me, I'll stand  
9 corrected.

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**A. The Fowler negotiation implies it's  
11 one negotiation.**

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Q. Well, let me see if I can help you.  
13 I don't want to interrupt you, but I want to  
14 respond to your statement.

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If you look at page 30, the  
16 concluding statement of Mr. Fowler's report,  
17 it says, paragraph 60, he says that the  
18 payments to Marvel would have been 3.8 to 7.6  
19 for the Marvel holdings notes, 1.7 to 3.4 for  
20 the Marvel parent notes, and 0.9 to 1.1  
21 million for the Marvel III notes for a total  
22 of 6.3 to 12.6 million.

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What I'm trying to get at, does  
24 your analysis provide for a similar breakdown  
25 of an offering by offering amount?

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**A. I haven't done that kind of analysis.**

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Q. And so you haven't done it to date. Can you describe for me how I can do it using the methodology you employ, how can I do that breakdown?

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**A. Well, the market cap of the company is still whatever it was, two billion. This is a smaller amount of wealth extraction. So it would imply a smaller absolute dollar value of consideration.**

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Q. Okay.

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So other than it would be smaller, which makes sense to me, what factors would I look at to determine how much it is?

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**A. Well, it would -- on the other side of things, I would have to think about the restrictions and the participation are all the same. The restrictions could harm me, but there is less money to be paid off and get rid of the restrictions, but the potential harm is still there. And I mean, basically I think as Mr. Fowler says, I would have to be thinking of this debt as Marvel**

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2 debt. Because that's how the rating agencies  
3 look at it. That's how the world looks at  
4 it. So you look at it as Marvel debt for  
5 which it is getting no benefit.

6 I think the percentage of the  
7 proceeds that I would ask for would probably  
8 go up as the amount being raised went down.  
9 But I don't know how to tell you right here  
10 what percentage of 288 I would be asking for.  
11 I would have to -- the potential harm does  
12 not decline in proportion to the decline in  
13 the 553 to 288 in my opinion. It declines,  
14 but not at the same rate.

15 So I think you have stumped me and  
16 I can't answer that question with any  
17 precision.

18 Q. If you go back to the beginning of  
19 your report, page 1.

20 A. Okay.

21 Q. In the paragraph at the bottom of  
22 the page, it starts "in my opinion".

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. You stated that "the negotiation  
25 depicted by Mr. Fowler bears little

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2 resemblance to one might reasonably expect to  
3 occur in a truly arm's length negotiation.  
4 Exchange one unrealistically starts with  
5 Marvel saying the restrictions hinder our  
6 ability to operate Marvel."

7                   Is it your understanding that the  
8 exchanges listed by Mr. Fowler represent a  
9 script or a dialogue of how these discussions  
10 would have taken place?

11 A. I think that's what he said it was.

12 Q. Well, if you read paragraph 59 of  
13 Mr. Fowler's report.

<sup>14</sup> A. 59, okay.

15 Q. Paragraph 59 on page 27.

16 A. Okay.

17 Q. Under the heading "Outcome of the  
18 Arm's Length Negotiation".

19 A. Yes -

20 Q. He says, "My judgment is that  
21 Marvel and M&F Holdings would have covered  
22 all of these points discussed above in their  
23 negotiation."

24 So you understand that he is  
25 referring to the previous?

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<sup>2</sup> A. The whole thing, yes.

<sup>3</sup> Q. Yeah, report. And then he says.

4        "The negotiation would likely occur through a  
5        series of back and forth exchanges between  
6        the parties where each side asserted their  
7        benefits and redistributions to the Marvel  
8        holding companies and the costs incurred by  
9        Marvel."

17           A.     Well, except the tense on the word  
18     incurred is not -- I mean, it's not costs  
19     incurred. It's the potential harm to the  
20     company that results from accepting these  
21     restrictions. That's all.

22 Q. And you understood whether or not  
23 you were agreeing with this analysis that he  
24 did look to what the potential costs to  
25 Marvel would be from the restrictions; is

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2 that right?

3           A.     No, I don't think he really took  
4     adequately into consideration the bet your  
5     ranch problem. I think it's -- there is a  
6     high level of technical analysis that as I  
7     see, it looks solely to the status quo or  
8     things getting better, but doesn't look to  
9     the issue of what could happen, what could go  
10    wrong that would impair Marvel.

25 Q. And other than the fact that

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Mr. Perelman wasn't willing to put his own  
money into Marvel, are you aware of any facts  
as things actually happened supporting the  
view that these restrictions somehow  
precluded Marvel from restructuring or  
reorganizing itself when it got into  
financial distress?

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**A. Well, they couldn't -- I mean, no  
one else could put money in. It wasn't just  
Perelman.**

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**Q. What's your basis for that  
statement?**

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**A. Well, the minutes describe a  
situation, Mr. Perelman describes a situation  
that says that we can't -- the noteholders  
are so disbursed that we can't get hold of  
them to ask them to consider a waiver.**

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**Q. With respect to his proposal,  
correct?**

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**A. Or any proposal.**

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**Q. Does he say with respect to any  
proposal or does he say with respect to his  
proposal?**

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**A. I think it was with respect to his**

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2 proposal, but I mean that's because that was  
3 the proposal on the table, but there could  
4 have been others.

5 Q. And I take it you haven't read  
6 Mr. Icahn's deposition; is that correct?

7 A. I think that's correct.

8 Q. And you haven't read Mr. Intrieri's  
9 deposition?

10 A. Right.

11 Q. Have you looked at any documents  
12 from the bankruptcy court?

13           A.       I looked at what I said I looked  
14                   at.

15 Q. I keep finding some things that you  
16 have looked at that aren't on there.

17                   A.       Only one thing.

18 Q. I'm trying to confirm you didn't  
19 look at any of the bankruptcy filings.

20 A. I don't think so. Such as what?

21 Give me an example.

22 Q. Such as the motions or orders or  
23 proposed plans of reorganizations or offers  
24 to buy stock, those kind of things that came  
25 out of the bankruptcy court?

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2 A. No.

5 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is  
6 4:28 and we're going off the record.

10 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: 4:32 and we're  
11 back on the record.

18                   One thing I would like to point  
19                   out, I noticed toward the end of the  
20                   deposition that Mr. Longstreth, there  
21                   was a couple of times where I think  
22                   you were writing on the record  
23                   exhibit, so to the extent that there  
24                   is handwriting on the official  
25                   exhibits that that's the handwriting

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that the witness undertook during the  
course of the deposition. If copies  
have that handwriting, that's where it  
came from.

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THE WITNESS: I did write in one  
of those things.

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MR. LOCKWOOD: That's it.

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THE VIDEOGRAPHER: It's 4:33 and  
this concludes the deposition.

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BEVIS LONGSTRETH

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13 Subscribed and sworn to before me  
14 this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.  
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7 I, Adrienne M. Mignano, a Notary  
8 Public within and for the State of New  
9 York, do hereby certify:10 That BEVIS LONGSTRETH, the  
11 witness whose deposition is  
12 hereinbefore set forth, was duly sworn  
13 by me and that such deposition is a  
14 true record of the testimony given by  
15 the witness.16 I further certify that I am not  
17 related to any of the parties to this  
18 action by blood or marriage, and that I  
19 am in no way interested in the outcome  
20 of this matter.21 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have  
22 hereunto set my hand this 25th day of  
23 May 2006.

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ADRIENNE M. MIGNANO

-----Original Message-----

From: Paul Lockwood [mailto:[PLOCKWOO@skadden.com](mailto:PLOCKWOO@skadden.com)]  
Sent: Thursday, September 15, 2005 5:25 PM  
To: Stubbs, Emily A.  
Subject: RE: Cantor v. Perelman: Proposed Schedule

Emily

Per our telephone discussions and my voicemail of this afternoon, attached is a proposed scheduling order. With exceptions I've already discussed, it tracks your initial proposal. I added a few things that come from the Judge's off-the-rack scheduling order.

I've got to run to a parent-teacher conference at my daughter's school tonight, so I will call you first thing AM.

>>> "Stubbs, Emily A." <[estubbs@fklaw.com](mailto:estubbs@fklaw.com)> 09/15/05 10:13 AM >>>  
Paul,  
Please send us your response to our proposed schedule as soon as possible. We were hoping we would have time to try to resolve any disagreements and still make a joint submission to the Court this week.  
Emily

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Stubbs, Emily A.  
> Sent: Friday, September 09, 2005 3:21 PM  
> To: 'plockwoo@skadden.com'  
> Cc: Friedman, Edward A.; Rapport, Daniel B.  
> Subject: Cantor v. Perelman: Proposed Schedule  
>  
> Paul:  
> In accordance with Judge Jordan's directions during today's telephone  
> conference, we propose the following schedule for briefing of the  
> outstanding issues, completion of expert discovery, and submission  
> of  
> the pretrial order:  
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> Jury trial briefs (simultaneous briefing, 10 pages): Oct.  
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> Submissions re: privilege issues (simultaneous letter briefs): Oct.  
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> Service of new expert reports: Jan. 13  
> Service of rebuttal expert reports: March 3  
> Completion of expert depositions: April  
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> Plaintiffs serve draft of pretrial order:  
> May 22  
> Defendants serve response to plaintiffs' draft  
> with any proposed additions and revisions: June 8  
> Submit final joint pretrial order to Court: June 28  
> Parties file jury instructions, verdict forms, jury interrogatories:  
> Aug. 7 Pretrial conference:  
> court, date proposed is on or about Sept. 11  
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Trial Oct.  
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> Oct. 27, 2006  
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> Please let me know if these dates are acceptable to you. Thanks,  
Emily  
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE  
 IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY

RONALD CANTOR, IVAN SNYDER and	:	
JAMES A. SCARPONE, as TRUSTEES OF	:	
THE MAFCO LITIGATION, and as	:	
SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST TO MARVEL	:	
ENTERTAINMENT GROUP, INC. et al.,	:	
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Plaintiffs,	:	
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v.	:	C. A. No. 97-586 RRM (KAJ)
RONALD O. PERELMAN, MAFCO	:	
HOLDINGS INC., MacANDREWS &	:	
FORBES HOLDINGS INC., ANDREWS	:	
GROUP INC., WILLIAM C. BEVINS and	:	
DONALD G. DRAPKIN,	:	
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Defendants.	:	

**SCHEDULING ORDER**

At Wilmington, Delaware, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005,

Following a scheduling conference held on September 9, 2005, IT IS ORDERED

that:

1. Discovery

(a) Fact Discovery. Fact discovery is complete and neither party can initiate additional fact discovery without leave of the Court.

(b) Disclosure of Expert Testimony. Either party may identify supplemental expert testimony on or before January 13, 2005 by filing a supplemental report in accordance with Federal Rule 26(a)(2). The parties shall file rebuttal expert reports on or before March 3, 2006. Depositions upon oral examinations of experts so identified shall be initiated so that it will be completed on or before April 21, 2006.

(c) Daubert Motions. To the extent any objection to expert testimony is made pursuant to the principles announced in Daubert v. Merrell Dow Pharm., Inc., 509 U.S. 579 (1993), it shall be made by motion no later than June 14, 2006, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

(d) Discovery Disputes (In General). Should counsel find they are unable to resolve a discovery dispute, the party seeking the relief shall contact chambers at (302) 573-6001 to schedule a telephone conference. Not less than forty-eight hours prior to the conference, the party seeking relief shall file with the Court a letter, not to exceed three pages, outlining the issues in dispute and its position on those issues. (The Court does not seek extensive argument or authorities at this point; it seeks simply a statement of the issue to be addressed and or summary of the basis for the party's position on the issue.) Not less than twenty-four hours prior to the conference, any party opposing the application for relief may file a letter, not to exceed three pages, outlining that party's reasons for its opposition. Should the Court find further briefing necessary upon conclusion of the telephone conference, the Court will order it.

(e) The Pending Motion to Compel The parties should meet and confer to resolve the outstanding dispute regarding defendants' assertion of the attorney-client privilege. If the parties are not able to resolve that dispute, then on or before October 21, 2005, plaintiffs shall renew their application, in accordance with the procedure set forth in the prior paragraph, by making their request for a teleconference.

2. Motion to Strike Jury Demand Defendants shall file their motion to strike the jury demand and supporting papers on or before October 21, 2005. The motion shall be briefed in accordance with the Court's Local Rules.

2. Pretrial Conference On September \_\_\_, 2006, the Court will hold a Rule 16(d) Final Pretrial Conference in Courtroom No. \_\_\_ with counsel beginning at \_\_\_ .m. On or before May 8, 2006, plaintiffs' counsel shall forward to defendants' counsel a draft of the pretrial order with the information plaintiff proposes to include in that draft. On or before June 8, 2006, defendants' counsel shall, in turn, provide plaintiffs' counsel with comments on the plaintiffs' draft and the information the defendants intend to include in the proposed order. Each party shall include in the draft pretrial order an identification of each expert witness that party expects to call to testify at the trial and a brief statement of the substance of each opinion the expert will testify to at the trial. The final pretrial order shall be filed with the Court on or before June 28, 2006. Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, the parties should assume that filing the pretrial order satisfies the pretrial disclosure requirement in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(3).

2. Motions in Limine. Motions *in Limine* shall not be separately filed. All *in limine* requests and responses thereto shall be set forth in the proposed pretrial order. Each party shall be limited to five *in limine* requests, unless otherwise permitted by the Court. The *in limine* request and any response shall contain the authorities relied upon; each *in limine* request may be supported by a maximum of five pages of argument and may be opposed by a maximum of five pages of argument. If more than one party is supporting or opposing an *in limine* request, such support or opposition shall be combined in a single five (5) page submission, unless otherwise ordered by the Court. No separate briefing shall be submitted on *in limine* requests, unless otherwise permitted by the Court.

3. Jury Instructions, Voir Dire, and Special Verdict Forms. If the case is to be tried to a jury, pursuant to Local Rules 47 and 51, the parties should simultaneously exchange draft proposed instructions to the jury, special verdict forms and jury interrogatories on August 7, 2006. The parties shall file proposed voir dire, instructions to the jury, and special verdict forms and jury interrogatories three full business days before the final pretrial conference. That submission shall be accompanied by a computer diskette (in WordPerfect format) which contains the instructions, proposed voir dire, special verdict forms and jury interrogatories.

4. Trial. This matter is scheduled for a trial beginning at 9:30 a.m. on October 10, 2006 and shall conclude on October 27, 2006.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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2 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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4 RONALD CANTOR, IVAN SNYDER, )

JAMES A. SCARPONE, as )

5 Trustee of the MAFCO )

Litigation Trust, )

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Plaintiffs, )

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- against - ) Index No.

8 )

RONALD O. PERELMAN; ) 97-586 (KAJ)

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MacANDREWS & FORBES )

10 HOLDINGS, INC.; ANDREWS )

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11 WILLIAM C. BEVINS; )

DONALD G. DRAPKIN, )

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Defendants. )

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16 VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF ANDREW S. CARRON

17 New York, New York

18 Friday, April 7, 2006

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7                   April 7, 2006

8                   10:05 a.m.

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10                 Videotaped Deposition of ANDREW S.  
11                 CARRON, held at 4 Times Square, New York, New  
12                 York, pursuant to Notice, before DIANE HARTY,  
13                 a Notary Public of the State of New York.

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2 to try to reformulate this idea, but it's one I'm  
 3 having trouble grasping.

4 Suppose the indenture covenants could  
 5 be imposed on Marvel only with the consent of  
 6 Marvel. Is it your opinion that the value of that  
 7 consent is \$156.7 million?

8 A. I hadn't thought about it in that  
 9 framework, but I think that the value to the  
 10 issuer of obtaining that consent and thereby being  
 11 permitted to issue the note was worth  
 12 156.7 million.

13 Q. Okay. Let me keep at it.

14 Am I correct that you are offering no  
 15 opinion as to the value to the buyers of the notes  
 16 of the indenture covenants?

17 A. It's -- it's true I'm not offering that  
 18 opinion. It's possible that one could determine  
 19 that value from the work that I've done, but I'm  
 20 not offering that opinion.

21 Q. And you have not been asked to give  
 22 such an opinion?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. Now, that \$156.7 million value of the  
 25 consent that we just talked about, you are not

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9 DONALD G. DRAPKIN, )

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10 Defendants. )  
Deposition of LAWRENCE A. HAMERMESH, ESQUIRE

11 taken pursuant to notice at the law offices of  
Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, One Rodney  
12 Square, 7th Floor, Wilmington, Delaware, beginning at  
8:36 a.m., on Monday, May 8, 2006, before Kurt A.  
13 Fetzer, Registered Diplomate Reporter and Notary  
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6       ALSO PRESENT:  
6       LINDSAY DuPHILY - VIDEOTAPE OPERATOR  
7       DISCOVERY VIDEO SERVICES

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9       THE VIDEOTAPE OPERATOR: This is the  
10 videotape deposition of Mr. Lawrence A. Hamermesh  
11 taken by the plaintiff in the matter of Ronald Cantor,  
12 Plaintiffs, versus Ronald O. Perelman, Civil Action  
13 No. 97-586.

14       This deposition is being held in the  
15 offices of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom,  
16 Wilmington, Delaware. We are going on the record at  
17 approximately 8:36 a.m. on May 8, 2006.

18       The court reporter is Kurt Fetzer from the  
19 firm of Wilcox & Fetzer, Wilmington, Delaware.

20       My name is Lindsay DuPhily and I'm the  
21 videotape specialist of Discovery Video Services in  
22 association with Wilcox & Fetzer.

23       Counsel will now introduce themselves and  
24 then the court reporter will swear in the witness.

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1 plan to.

2 Q. How much are you being paid?

3 A. I'm paid at the rate of \$400 per hour.

4 Q. And what's the total number of hours you have  
5 spent on this assignment so far?6 A. Not a lot. I didn't look that up and I don't  
7 remember. It's a fairly small number.8 Q. So your total compensation is what you're  
9 referring to now?

10 A. Or hours, whichever way. It's the same thing.

11 Q. Who has paid you so far?

12 A. I'm not sure anybody has paid me yet.

13 Q. Please tell me what documents or other  
14 materials you considered in preparation of your  
15 report.16 A. Well, let's see. In preparing my report I  
17 looked at some case law, including the cases that are  
18 cited in the report.19 I looked at an excerpt from the notes  
20 prospectuses, one of the notes prospectuses, and  
21 reviewed the opinion of the Third Circuit in this  
22 matter and a brief in the Third Circuit prepared by  
23 the defendants.24 Q. Is that a complete list of the documents you

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1 reviewed in connection with this matter?

2 A. It's what I can come up with right now. There  
3 may have been one or two others, but that's all I can  
4 remember.

5 MS. STUBBS: Tom, we request that a  
6 complete list of materials considered be provided.

7 MR. ALLINGHAM: Okay.

8 BY MS. STUBBS:

9 Q. Were there any communications with Skadden  
10 lawyers in which information was provided to you that  
11 you considered in the preparation of the report?

12 A. The documents I just mentioned.

13 Q. Any other oral communications in which

14 information was provided to you?

15 A. Yes. I'm sorry. After I prepared my report --  
16 are you talking about in preparation of the report or  
17 after?

18 Q. Anything you considered in the preparation of  
19 your report.

20 A. Okay. I don't believe there was any -- I don't  
21 remember any information being supplied in connection  
22 with the preparation of my report beyond what we have  
23 already discussed.

24 Q. When you said just a moment ago after you